GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Merger of Existing Visas Categories
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is deliberating on merging the existing categories of business, tourist and medical visas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken so far in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) to (c): Rationalization and simplification of the visa regime is a continuous process. Under the existing e-Tourist Visa scheme, apart from tourism, a foreign national is permitted to undertake casual business activities, short term yoga programme and short duration medical treatment.

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